Socialist Workers Party 14 Charles Lane New York, N.Y. 10014 December 3, 1974

Dr. Daniel Ellsberg 630 West Blithedale Ave. Mill Valley, Calif. 94941

Dear Dr. Ellsberg,

The Socialist Workers Party plans to announce candidates for President and Vice President of the United States at a national rally in St. Louis on December 29. The rally will be held in conjunction with the national convention of the Young Socialist Alliance, which, as you may know, has been threatened with FBI surveillance.

The candidates will be Peter Camejo for President and Willie Mae Reid for Vice President. We don't plan to announce their names to the press until December 27.

The reason that I'm writing to you is that we would like to be able to read messages at the rally from individuals such as yourself - messages which would either indicate support for the SWP's right to run its campaigns without government harassment, or messages which would express support for the SWP campaign as a socialist alternative to the Democratic and Republican parties.

I hope you will consider sending a message of either type. Of course, I don't know whether or not you would think it appropriate to do either, and you may not feel that you know enough about our campaigns. I've asked the Militant, the newspaper that reflects the views of the SWP, to see that you get a subscription. This will mean that regardless of your decision on sending a message, you will be kept informed of developments in the campaign.

Although there isn't yet any printed material on the '76 campaign, I've enclosed one of our brochures from 1972 to help give you an idea of how we run our campaigns. Naturally, events since 1972, in politics and in the economy, will have an impact on our 1976 literature.

Thank you for the solidarity you have already expressed with our fight against government harassment and attacks.

Best wishes.

With Regard,

for the Socialist Workers Party

P.S. Any such message can simply be mailed to me at the address above.